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## Cromwell Advertisements

**BELFAST STORE,**  
CLYDE AND CROMWELL.

WINES, SPIRITS, GROCERIES, HARD-  
WARE, COLONIAL PRODUCE,  
&c. &c. &c.

**JAMES HAZLETT**

Begs to inform the Public of the Dunstan Dis-  
trict that, in connection with his established  
business of ten years at Clyde, he has opened  
EXTENSIVE PREMISES AT CROMWELL,  
where he will be able to supply the Trade, Run-  
holders, Farmers, and Private Families, with  
EVERY CLASS OF GOODS, of the very best  
description, at the lowest current rates.

JAMES HAZLETT would particularly mention  
that in the FLOUR & COLONIAL PRODUCE  
BUSINESS he can defy competition, as in that  
line he is in connection with Messrs WHITTING-  
HAM BROTHERS, of Queenstown, who are the  
best buyers in the Lake District.

J. HAZLETT, being a CASH BUYER in the  
Dunedin and Melbourne Markets, feels confident  
he can sell the cheapest and best article in the  
District, and invites a visit from Purchasers.

Note the address:

**JAMES HAZLETT,**  
CLYDE AND CROMWELL.

**KARL PRETSCH,**

COACH & GENERAL PAINTER,  
etc.,

Has now PAPERHANGINGS, PAINTS of  
every description, GLASS, and MOULDINGS,  
on Sale at Low Prices.

Contracts undertaken for General Painting,  
Decoration, and Sign Writing.

Buggies and Vehicles of every description  
painted in the best style.

Colours Prepared in any Shade required

Address: Next door but one to MARSH'S  
BRIDGE HOTEL, CROMWELL.

**THOMAS FOOTE,**

TAILOR AND CLOTHIER,  
MELMORE TERRACE,

**CROMWELL.**

Ladies' Riding Habits made to order.

BEFORE purchasing your WATCHES,  
CLOCKS, and JEWELLERY, call on  
**E. MURRELL,**

and inspect his CHOICE STOCK of the above  
articles.

As all his Watches and Clocks are TAKEN TO  
ORDER, CLEANED, and ADJUSTED before they are  
delivered, Customers may depend on getting an  
article that will give satisfaction.

All kinds of WATCHES, CLOCKS, and  
MUSICAL BOXES cleaned  
and repaired.

Jewellery made and repaired.—Pipes mounted.

Observe the address:

NEXT MARSH'S BRIDGE HOTEL.

**D. MACKELLAR,**

ACCOUNTANT and

GENERAL AGENT.

Star of the East Quartz Mining  
Company, Registered;  
Colleen Bawn Quartz Mining Com-  
pany, Registered;  
Kawarau Bridge Company (Messrs  
McCormick, Grant, & Richards).

Agent for The Norwich Union Fire Insurance  
Company.

Office: Melmore-street, Cromwell.

Technical Drawings furnished.—Specifications  
prepared.

## Cromwell Advertisements

**BUCHAN BROTHERS,**  
(Late of Dunedin),

GENERAL BLACKSMITHS AND FARRIERS,  
Beg to inform the inhabitants of Cromwell and  
the surrounding district that they have COM-  
MENCED BUSINESS in the premises lately  
occupied by WM. BARNES, and adjoining Heron's  
White Hart Hotel, where they are prepared to  
execute, at current rates, all branches of the  
above, including Repairs and Turnings in all  
kinds of Mining Machinery. By strict attention  
to business, combined with the supply of a good  
article, BUCHAN BROTHERS hope to earn a share  
of public patronage.

Cromwell, 10th February, 1873.

**STARKEY'S**

**KAWARAU HOTEL,**  
CROMWELL.

Having purchased the above well-known hotel  
from Mr BASTINGS, G. M. STARKEY begs to  
inform his numerous friends, and the public  
generally, that it will be his study to maintain  
the high reputation the KAWARAU HOTEL has  
long since acquired for comfort.

Wines and Spirits of the very best quality.

An efficient Groom always in attendance.

**MR LAKE,**  
SURGEON,

May be consulted at his Residence, west end of

MELMORE-STREET,

(Premises lately occupied by Mr Goodger).

**LEGAL NOTICE.**

**MR H. C. BREWER,**

Barrister, Solicitor, and Conveyancer,  
of Clyde,

will attend regularly the Resident Magistrate's  
and Warren's Court held at Cromwell.

Mr H. C. BREWER further gives notice that it  
is his intention to visit Cromwell every TUES-  
DAY. Clients desirous of obtaining legal advice  
and assistance can consult Mr Brewer at STAR-  
KEY'S HOTEL between the hours of 11 a.m.  
and 2.30 p.m.



**CROMWELL BUTCHERY**  
(WHOLESALE AND RETAIL),

**OWEN PIERCE - PROPRIETOR.**

A supply of Meat of all descriptions always on  
hand, and sold at the Lowest Prices.



**FREE TRADE BUTCHERY,**  
(Wholesale and Retail).

**JAMES DAWKINS - PROPRIETOR.**

A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams,  
Bacon, &c., always on hand.

\* Meat delivered at Town Prices throughout  
the district.

**BEEF, BY THE QUARTER, 3d per lb.**

**F. SANSON, SADDLER**  
AND  
HARNESS-MAKER,

Begs to inform the public that he is carrying on  
business at the Premises lately occupied by Mr  
Raven, in Cromwell, and trusts, by strict atten-  
tion and moderate charges, to merit the public  
patronage.

Collars, Pack-saddles, and Harness of every  
description made on the premises.

Repairs done on the shortest notice.

## Cromwell Advertisement

**I. HALLENSTEIN and Co.,**  
GENERAL IMPORTERS,

**CROMWELL, QUEENSTOWN, ARROWTOWN, & MELBOURNE.**

WE have much pleasure in calling the attention of the inhabitants generally to  
our Large Stock, as enumerated in this advertisement. It does not detail all the articles  
we keep, for to do so would be almost impossible. We have endeavoured to enumerate all the  
principal articles of each class; but every want necessary in a Mining, Agricultural, and Pastoral  
community can be supplied.

All our purchases being for cash, we thus possess an advantage that few are able to avail  
themselves of.

We therefore respectfully solicit a continuance of the patronage hitherto bestowed, with the  
conviction that all orders entrusted to our care will be promptly executed, and the articles found  
to be of good value.

**Drapery.**—The attention of Ladies is respectfully directed to this Department. It will be  
found replete with all the latest novelties from the Melbourne markets, and arrangements  
have been made for regular shipments per each steamer.

Dresses, in silks, fancy and black; alpaca, challies, mohairs, winceys, muslins, prints, coburgs

Shawls, all-wool plaids, French merinos, skirtings, jackets, &c.

Hosiery, gloves, handkerchiefs, laces, trimmings of all kinds

Ladies' and Children's Underclothing.—Our stock will be found the largest and best-assorted

on the Gold-fields

Ladies' and Children's Hats, trimmed and untrimmed

Feathers, flowers, corsets, chignons, &c.

A large assortment of white and coloured flannels, serge and cricketing; calicoes and sheet-

ings; and every other article required in the trade.

**Slop Department.**—Men's Suits, Paget and sac; boys' ditto, Leopold, Stanley, sac, and  
knickerbocker; Trousers and vests, all kinds

Trousers, in silk mixture, doeskin, tweed, cotton, Bedford cord, and moleskin

Shirts—white dress, regatta, Crimean, serge, Scotch twill, tweed, and jain

Pants and under-shirts, in flannel, lambswool, serge, merino, and cotton

Men's and boys' Hosiery, of all kinds

Hats—straw, merino, tweed, silk-stitched, felt, and plush, in all the latest shapes

Waterproof coats, overalls, leggings and son'-westers; monkey jackets and pilot coats

All the above Goods are to our special order.

**Boots and Shoes.**—A splendid assortment, consisting of:

Ladies', girls', and children's boots, in kid, cashmere, morocco, and leather

Slippers—canvas, patent leather (plain and fur-trimmed), sheepskin, and carpet

Men's and boys' boots—elastic-side, Balmoral, Blucher, Wellington, half-Wellington, and

riding boots; Colonial water-tights, made to our order in Melbourne

Gum boots—Hayward's North British and Liverpool; Hardy's nuggets.

**Groceries and Provisions.**—Teas, coffees, sugars, candles, soaps, raisins, salmon, &c. &c.

**Wines and Spirits.**—Brandy, rum, whisky, gin; port, sherry; light wines; bitters.

**Ironmongery, Mining Tools, and Agricultural Implements.**—Anvils, axes, augers, adzes,

balances, bells, bags, blacking, brushes (all kinds), baking-dishes, billies, braces and bits,

black-lead, bellows, boilers, bedsteads, bolts, blocks, cauldrons, chains (various), can-

dle-moulds, colanders, compasses, chisels, coal scuttles, scoop and vase; corkscrews, cof-

fin furniture, cash-boxes, door-scrappers, drippers, egg-whisks, slice and cups; fuse, fry-

ing-pans, funnels, files, fenders and fire-irons, fish-hooks, gimblets, grindstones, graters,

glue, gridirons, gold-blowers, dishes and sieves, grates, gads, guns, glue-pots, hammers

(all kinds), hoes, jelly-moulds, knives, a large assortment; knives and forks, knife-boards,

kettles, lanterns, locks, ladles, milk dishes, cans, strainers, sieves, and yokes; measuring

tapes, mops, mallets, nails of every kind, pitch, picks, pumps, powder, pincers, piping,

ploughs, quoits, quicksilver, rules, rope, resin, rivets, rasps, rakes, ship scrapers, sickles

and bats, sloop-pails, saws of all kinds, sieves, seaming twine, sponges, sponges, sheep-

shears, saucepans, shovels and spades, spirit-levels, soldering-irons, solder, spokeshaves,

shot, steel-yards, scales, screws, staples, stewpans, teapots, trowels, tar, tacks, tubs, tue-

irons, vices, waiters, washing boards and powder, window furniture of all kinds, writing

cases, zinc, &c., &c.

**Timber and Building Materials.**—Shelving, 12 and 14 inches wide; T. and G. lumber

T. and G. Scotch Flooring, 2, 2, 1, 1, 1, 1 inch; beaded and plain match lining

Quartering, American hardwood, 3 x 1, 3 x 1, 3 x 2, 4 x 3, 4 x 6; mouldings, various sizes

Galvanised and painted iron, all sizes; rolled zinc, spouting, brackets, down-piping heads

Screws, nails, locks, hinges, and bolts; doors, glass, raised panel, and plain sashes, all sizes.

**Paints, Paperhangings, Oils.**—Paints of all kinds; white and red lead; black, green,

blue, umbre, ochre, &c.; Oils—raw, boiled, colza, olive, turpentine, &c.; oak and copal

varnish, asphaltum, oak-stain, knotting

Paperhangings—a large assortment of drawing-room, sitting-room, bed-room, hall, passage,

and ceiling, various; borderings, all kinds.

**Tinware** of every description, a large assortment, all kinds.

**Kitchen Utensils.**—Stoves, boilers, saucepans, kettles, &c.

**Crockery.**—A large and well-assorted department.

**Lamps, Glassware, Kerosene, Lampware.**—large assortment.

**Furniture, Bedding, &c.**—Bedsteads: an assortment of French and stump double, single,

and children's bedsteads and cots

Chairs: Ladies, Florence, Lincoln, Fillmore, dining, American wood, spring hair, rocking;

easy-chairs, in hair, cane, and wood

Commodore, cheffoniers, children's high and low chairs, cane and wood; chests of drawers

Tables: round and square, dining, loo, and dressing, various

Washstands, in cedar and walnut; towel-horses, mahogany, cedar, turned and plain

Sofas, a large assortment, colonial made, with or without backs, pillows, and cushions

Mattresses: feather, hair, flock, fibre, any size; pillows and bolsters, do. do. do.

**Leather.**—Crap, kip, calf, kangaroo, &c., from the Tannery of Michaelis, Hallenstein, and Co

**Grindery.**—A large assortment.

**Tobacco and Cigars.**—Being direct importers of these goods, buyers can always depend on

getting a first-class article.

Tobacco: fancy and aromatic, silver coil, Atlantic cable, old sport, navy, fives, sixes, tens,

imperial ruby, gold bar; dark aromatic—tens, bashful lover, little sunshade, monster;

Barrett's twist and cut tobaccos; snuff

Cigars: Trabucco, Havana, Princess, and Swiss.

**Stationery and Books.**—Account-books, all sizes and bindings; minute-books, bill-files,

blotting-paper, memo. books, copying letter-books, copy and exercise books, date-cases,

envelopes, all kinds and sizes; elastic bands, foolscap (plain and ruled), gum mucilage,

ink of all kinds; inkstands, a large variety; letter balances, clips, and files; pass-books

Note and letter paper, white, blue, and mourning; pens of all kinds, pencils, playing-cards,

pocket-books, purses, slates, albums, rulers, sealing-wax, tissue-paper, all colours; desks

Books: an assortment of family and pocket Bibles, church services, and prayer-books

Poetical Works of Byron, Moore, Scott, Burns, Milton, Cowper, Cook, Campbell, Longfellow

Gift books; dictionaries—French, Latin, German, and English; geographicals, arithmetics.

**Fancy Goods.**—A large, choice, and varied assortment.

**Patent Medicines.**—Large assortment; also, a variety of Horse Medicines.

**Perfumery.**—"from every flower that breathes a fragrance."

**Saddlery.**—This department will be found very complete, as all goods are manufactured ex-

pressly for us by Alston, of Melbourne.

Bridles, with or without bits; a large assortment of ladies' and gentlemen's, double and

single rein, Pelham and snaffle; all prices.

Curry-combs and brushes of all kinds; halters; hobbles, various.

Saddles, ladies' and gentlemen's; deny, stock, green hide, and all over bogskin; various prices.

Saddle-cloths, kersey, felt; saddle-girths, leather, web; saddle straps, spurs of all kinds;

valises, martingales and breastplates, various; stirrup leathers, ladies' slippers and stir-

rup leathers, cruppers, bits, burnisters, headstalls, ladies' worked saddle-cloths.

Spring cart harness complete, dray harness complete, leading sets complete.

Pack saddles, straps, needles, buckles, hump knives.

Whips, a large variety; jockey whips, silver mounted, green hide; ladies' twigs, various

kinds; buggy whips, cart whips, all sizes; stockwhips and handles, thongs of all kinds.

**Produce.**—Agents for Robertson and Hallenstein, Brunswick Flour Mills, Lake Wakatipu.

We have for sale their silk-dressed Flour, (equal to Arrowhead); pollard, bran, oats,

wheat, barley, chaff. Garden seeds in great variety.

**Sundries.**—Tents, tarpaulins, Manila rope, hose canvas, horse-covers, wheelbarrows, hose-

directors, brushware, camp and colonial ovens, candles, lime, &c. &c. &c.

## Cromwell

## VICTORIA STORE, CROMWELL.

I. WRIGHT,  
DRAPER, CLOTHIER, HOSIER,  
HABERDASHER, AND  
GENERAL STOREKEEPER.

I. WRIGHT is now offering an assortment of  
NEW and CHEAP GOODS, in  
DRESS MATERIALS—Prints, Winceys, Alpaca,  
all-wool Plaids, French Merinos, &c.  
Calicoes, Flannels, Blankets, Quilts  
Toilet Covers, Matting and Druggeting  
Ladies and Children's Underclothing  
BABY LINEN.

Also, a well-selected stock of  
Women and Children's Boots and Shoes, in  
leather, kid, and cashmere  
Ladies and Children's Hats, trimmed and un-  
trimmed  
Ironmongery, Glass, Crockery  
Patent Medicines, Fancy Goods  
Toys, Jewellery, Cutlery, Stationery  
Perfumery, Musical Instruments  
Berlin and other Wools  
Paperhangings, Brushware  
Tobacco and Cigars  
and other Goods too numerous to mention.

NEWS A G E N T.



DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.,  
WHOLESALE  
AND  
RETAIL  
FAMILY GROCERS,  
AND  
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

D. A. JOLLY & CO. desire to return thanks  
to the people of Cromwell and the surrounding  
districts for the liberal encouragement they have  
received since opening the above establishment;  
and as they intend devoting their attention exclu-  
sively to the Grocery and Wine and Spirit trade,  
they confidently hope, from their connection in  
Dunedin, to be able to place before the public  
a genuine class of goods, well and carefully  
selected, at prices that cannot fail to give general  
satisfaction. They would respectfully invite at-  
tention more especially to the following articles  
in stock:—

Teas of excellent flavor, in chests, half-chests,  
and boxes  
Coffees not to be surpassed in quality  
Cocoa and Chocolate of the best brands  
Sugar—crystals and crushed loaf  
Raisins—Muscatel, Sultan, and Eleme  
Jams, Jellies, Pickles, and Sauces  
Bacon, Cheese, and Butter of prime quality  
Tobacco—Imperial Ruby Twist, Barrett's  
Twist, Old Sport, and Aromatic  
Oils—Salad, Castor, and Kerosene  
Candles of the best brands  
Soaps—Blue Mottled, Yellow, and Scented in  
bars and cakes, &c., &c.

GRAIN.  
Wakatip Oats, Wheat, and Chaff  
SPIRITS.  
Islay Whisky—Arbeg's and Long Jones'  
Hennessey's and Martell's Brandy, in bulk  
and case  
J.D.K.Z. Geneva  
Burnett's Old Tom  
Lemon Hart's Rum in bulk  
Porter—Blood's, Byass's, and Guinness's  
CORDIALS.  
Ginger Wine, Raspberry Vinegar, Peppermint,  
Lemon Syrup, &c., &c.  
Dr Townsend's Sarsaparilla

Families waited on for orders, and goods deli-  
vered in all parts of the district at Cromwell  
prices.

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.,  
HAVING RECEIVED A NEW AND SELECT  
ASSORTMENT OF  
IRONMONGERY

Beg to call public attention to the following:—

Blasting  
Powder and  
Fuse; Long and  
Short handle Shovels;  
Picks, Pick Handles, and  
Sluice Forks; Pannikins, Gold  
Dishes, Billics; Galvanised Iron  
Buckets; American Tubs, Buckets, and  
Brooms; Axes and Handles; Manila Rope  
for mining purposes; Drilling Hammers and  
Handles; White Lead; Castor Oil in bulk;  
Washing-boards; Brushware of every  
description; Nails; Canvases; Hose  
Pipes.—Contracts undertaken  
for supplying Mining Co.'s  
with Material of all  
kinds, on liberal  
terms. Free  
delivery

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.'s  
DEPOT FOR MINING TOOLS,  
CROMWELL.

## Cromwell

SHAMROCK STORE,  
CROMWELL:

WILLIAM SHANLY,  
FAMILY GROCER,  
GENERAL STOREKEEPER,  
is carrying on business at the old-established  
premises, next to the Bank of New South Wales,  
Melmore-street.

The BEST QUALITY of GOODS only  
is kept in stock.

All orders will meet with prompt attention.

## PRIVATE SCHOOL, CROMWELL.

MRS RHIND,  
(Late Resident Governess at the Girls' Provincial  
High School),

Will be prepared, on and after MONDAY, 14th  
instant, to receive DAY SCHOLARS at her  
Residence, near Cromwell Bridge.

The course of instruction will comprise all the  
ordinary branches; the Languages, ancient and  
modern, if desired; Music and Singing; Plain  
and Fancy Needlework, &c.

A YOUNG LADIES' EVENING CLASS  
Will be formed for teaching Fancywork, Sewing,  
and other useful accomplishments.

Terms may be ascertained on application.

CROMWELL TIMBER & IRON YARD,  
LATE MR GRANT'S

NEW ZEALAND & AMERICAN TIMBER YARD.

JAMES TAYLOR,  
Carpenter and Builder, Ironmonger,



Has FOR SALE all kinds of Building Material  
suitable for the district.

Estimates given for Buildings at the Lowest  
PRICES compatible with Good Material and  
Workmanship.

Punctuality and attention to all orders may  
be relied on.

A Large Assortment of Paperhangings  
Paints, Glass, FURNITURE—comprising Chairs  
Tables, Washstands, Iron Bedsteads, &c.

Building Ironmongery, Carpenters' and Miners'  
Tools, Hemp, Wire, and Manila Rope,  
SADDLERY, &c., cheap.

JUNCTION BAKERY  
CROMWELL.

C. W. WRIGHT,  
BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER.

Bread Delivered in all Parts of the  
District.



## THE CROMWELL BAKERY,

J. SCOTT,  
BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER,  
Melmore-street, Cromwell.

Families waited on for orders, and Bread  
regularly delivered in all parts of the district.

CHARLES COLCLOUGH,  
SHAREBROKER, COMMISSION  
AGENT,  
ARBITRATOR, AND ACCOUNTANT,  
CROMWELL.

Having arranged to devote my time exclusively  
to these occupations, business entrusted to  
my care will receive every attention.

Agent for the New Zealand Fire Insurance  
Company.

MIDWIFERY.—Mrs C. THOMSON,  
late of Aberdeen and Dunedin, begs to  
give notice that, having arrived in Cromwell,  
she is prepared to practise in the above profes-  
sion. Mrs Thomson has a diploma from Aber-  
deen, and has had an EXPERIENCE OF NINETEEN  
YEARS.

Residence, at Mr JOHN HAYES', West End,  
Cromwell.

## Cromwell

Cromwell Veterinary Shoeing Forge,  
Next door to Kidd's Cromwell Hotel.

EDWARD LINDSAY,  
(Late of Clyde and Melbourne),  
GENERAL BLACKSMITH, FARRIER, AND  
MACHINIST,

Begs to intimate to his customers and the gen-  
eral public that he has REMOVED to his NEW  
PREMISES, next to the Cromwell Hotel, Mel-  
more Terrace, where he will carry on every ac-  
scription of Blacksmith work and Farriery as  
heretofore.

E. LINDSAY begs to intimate to the Public  
generally that he has gone to the expense of get-  
ting a CAST-IRON BED for TIRING WHEELS on a new  
principle, being the first introduced up-country,  
which he will guarantee to give general satisfac-  
tion; also, that he has made a reduction in the  
price of Horse-shoeing.

LIGHT SHOES - - 12s.  
DRAUGHT " - - 17s.

EDWARD LINDSAY,  
Veterinary Shoeing Forge.

J. C. CHAPPLE,  
AUCTIONEER.

Any orders for Sales in the Cromwell District  
may be left at the ARGUS Office, and will meet  
with prompt attention.

## CROMWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Reading-room is open to Subscribers on  
Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays.

The Library contains an extensive variety of  
Books in every department of literature; and  
about £40 worth of New Works is expected to  
arrive shortly from Great Britain.

All the Provincial Newspapers, and a number  
of English Papers and Periodicals, are regularly  
received for the use of Subscribers.

Annual Subscription, £1 1s; Half-Yearly  
12s 6d; Quarterly, 7s 6d.

M. H. W. SMYTHIES,  
MINING SURVEYOR AND AGENT.

Legal Managership & REGISTRATION  
of Companies undertaken.

Office: Town Hall, Cromwell.

## NOTICE.

POISON for DOGS will be laid on  
MOUNT PISA STATION on and after this  
date. I. LOUGHNAN.  
Mount Pisa, 12th May 1873.—27tc

GROCERIES, WINES & SPIRITS,  
IRONMONGERY &  
BUILDING MATERIALS,  
DRAPERY, CLOTHING, BOOTS,  
&c. &c.

Our Melbourne firm, Messrs MICHAELIS, HAL-  
LENSTEIN and Co., having recently opened a  
place of business in London, we have made ar-  
rangements with them to import most of our  
goods direct from Home, and are now in a po-  
sition to supply this market with all goods bearing  
a profit on first cost only, thus saving the profit  
hitherto paid to importers.

STOREKEEPERS & WHOLESALE AND  
RETAIL BUYERS

will therefore be able to purchase cheaper from  
us than in Dunedin or elsewhere, besides having  
the advantage of being able to select their goods  
on the spot from one of the largest stocks on the  
gold-fields, (for particulars of which see our ge-  
neral advertisement.)

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.

Cromwell, March 1873.

## NOTICE.

WE, the undersigned, beg to inform the  
inhabitants of the Cromwell, Alexandra,  
and Clyde districts that we have appointed

I. Hallenstein and Co., Cromwell,

As our only AGENTS for the sale of our Silk-  
dressed

FLOUR, BRAN, AND POLLARD.

We guarantee all Flour branded with our  
name, and obtained through the above agents.

ROBERTSON & HALLENSTEIN,  
Brunswick Flour Mills,  
LAKE WAKATIP.

## Kawarau Gorge.

SLUICERS' ARMS HOTEL,  
KAWARAU GORGE.

The Proprietor of the above old-established  
hotel begs to acquaint his friends and the public  
that he can now offer comfortable accommoda-  
tion to all classes of customers.



The attention of Owners and Trainers is called  
to the fact that the STABLES attached to the  
SLUICERS' ARMS contain Eight Large LOOSE-  
BOXES, thus affording unrivalled accommoda-  
tion for RACEHORSES. The Stables being  
situated within a short distance of the Cromwell  
Race-course, those intending to enter horses for  
the forthcoming Races should make early appli-  
cation to the Proprietor. Terms reasonable.

ANDERS OLSON.

## Bannockburn &amp; Carrick Range

STUART'S FERRY,  
KAWARAU RIVER.

Main crossing-place between Cromwell and  
the Nevis for Waggon, Drays, Horses, and  
Foot passengers.

Children attending School, Free.

## THE FERRY HOTEL

Has first-class accommodation for Travellers.

BANNOCKBURN HOTEL & STORE,  
DOCTOR'S FLAT, BANNOCKBURN,  
(On the Main Road to the Nevis).

GROCERIES, CLOTHING, BOOTS, and House-  
HOLD REQUISITES of all descriptions  
kept in Stock.

The Goods, being obtained DIRECT from  
Dunedin, are retailed at the LOWEST POS-  
SIBLE PRICES.

N.B.—Good Stabling, Horse Feed, &c.

JOHN RICHARDS, PROPRIETOR.

BANNOCKBURN TIMBER YARD  
AND CARPENTER'S SHOP.

JAMES TAYLOR,  
CROMWELL TIMBER AND IRON YARD,  
Begs to inform the Residents of BANNOCKBURN,  
NEVIS, POTTERS, &c., that in order to meet the  
increasing requirements of those districts, he  
has opened a Branch Establishment at Doctor's  
Flat, opposite Mr Richards' Store.

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These distressing and weakening diseases may with certainty be cured by the sufferers themselves, if they will use Holloway's Ointment, and closely attend to the printed instructions. It should be well rubbed upon the neighbouring parts, when all obnoxious matter will be removed. A poultice of bread and water may sometimes be applied at bed-time with advantage; the most scrupulous cleanliness must be observed. If those who read this paragraph will bring it under the notice of such of their acquaintance whom it may concern, they will render a service which will never be forgotten, as a cure is certain.

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**NOTICE.**—Having received intimation from our Mr MICHAELIS HALLENSTEIN (Melbourne) that he intends visiting New Zealand in September, previous to his departure for London, it becomes necessary for us to have a STOCK-TAKING, owing to contemplated changes in our Firm.

We have, in consequence, to inform all those indebted to us that their ACCOUNTS will be rendered, and must be SETTLED or otherwise arranged for, on or before the 14th SEPTEMBER next: failing this, our Solicitor will receive instructions to recover them.

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**GARDEN SEEDS.**  
Just received, and on sale at the ARGUS SEED WAREHOUSE,  
A choice and seasonable stock of GARDEN SEEDS.

**TENDERS** will be received by the Secretary of the CROMWELL JOCKEY CLUB up to 6 o'clock p.m. on THURSDAY, the 14th instant, for ERECTING a SOD WALL round the Race-Course.

Plans and specifications to be seen at the Bridge Hotel.  
Cromwell, 1st August 1873.

### New Advertisements.

**A**n adjourned GENERAL MEETING of the CARRICK RANGE WATER SUPPLY COMPANY (Registered) will be held at the Legal Manager's Office, Cromwell, on MONDAY, the 18th current, at 7 p.m.

JAMES TAYLOR,  
Chairman of Directors.  
Cromwell, August 11, 1873.

**CROMWELL JOCKEY CLUB.**  
A COMMITTEE MEETING will be held in the Town-hall on THURSDAY, 14th instant, at 7.30 p.m. sharp.  
Business:—To consider Tenders for fencing Racecourse; also, to fix date of and to arrange Programme for Spring Meeting.

WILLIAM MACNAB,  
Secretary.

**A**t the request of a number of Bannockburn Residents, I hereby convene a PUBLIC MEETING to be held in the School-house, BANNOCKBURN, on WEDNESDAY EVENING, August 13, at 8 p.m., to consider the propriety of inviting our Representative to a Public Dinner, to give him an opportunity of explaining the action taken by him during the late Session of Provincial Council.

JAMES CROMBIE,  
President B. & C. R. Minors' Association.

**ELIZABETH QUARTZ MINING COMPANY, REGISTERED.**

A SPECIAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will take place at the Company's Office on TUESDAY, 19th August, at 3 p.m. Business:—To elect new Directorate for the ensuing year.

CHARLES COLCLOUGH,  
Legal Manager.

**STAR OF THE EAST Q. M. CO., REGISTERED.**

An adjourned GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, Cromwell, on TUESDAY EVENING, 19th instant, at half-past seven o'clock.

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Mr ARMSTRONG regrets his inability to visit Cromwell during his stay.

**CORPORATION OF CROMWELL.**

APPLICATIONS will be received from qualified persons willing to act as TOWN-CLERK and RATE-COLLECTOR to the Cromwell Corporation. Salary £25 per annum, and 10 per cent. commission on all Rates and Rents collected, and 2½ per cent. commission on all License Fees,—the whole remuneration being equivalent to about £60 per annum. Applicants to furnish names of two sureties for £100 each.

Applications to be sent in to the Mayor not later than 7.30 p.m. on Thursday, August 14.

M. FRAER,  
Mayor.

**CORPORATION OF CROMWELL.**

TENDERS will be received up to 7.30 p.m. on THURSDAY, August 14, for CLEANSING STREETS and ATTENDING TOWN RACE, (under instructions from the Public Works Committee), for the space of Three Months.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

M. FRAER,  
Mayor.

**CHURCH OF ENGLAND.**

SERVICES ON SUNDAY NEXT:

Cromwell—11 a.m.  
Bannockburn—3.30 p.m.

**CROMWELL POST OFFICE.**

MAILS CLOSE.  
For Bannockburn, Quartzville, Carrickton, and Nevis, every Sunday, at 9 p.m.

For Clyde, Dunedin, and intervening offices, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, at 3 p.m.

For Dunedin, via Teviot, Tuapeka, and Tokomairiro, every Tuesday, at 3 p.m.

For Kawarau Gorge, Edwards's, Morven Ferry, Arrowtown, Frankton, and Queenstown, every Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday, at 9 p.m.

For Luggate, Bendigo, Alberton, and Cardrona, every Tuesday, at 9 p.m.

For money orders and registered letters, not later than 2 p.m.

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From Nevis, Carrickton, Quartzville, and Bannockburn, every Tuesday, at 3.30 p.m.

From Cardrona, Alberton, Luggate, Bendigo, every Thursday, at 3 p.m.

Letters, newspapers, and packets will be re-directed from one post-office to another on the written instructions of the persons addressed, but on re-direction are chargeable with a new and distinct rate of postage, payable on delivery.

**BIRTHS.**

At Kawarau Gorge, on the 10th instant, the wife of Mr F. EDWARDS, of a daughter.

On the 7th inst., at Cromwell, Mrs D. A. JOLLY, of a son.

**Cromwell Argus,**  
AND NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

CROMWELL: TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 1873.

ELSEWHERE we print the petition at present being circulated for signature in favour of the extension of the railway from Tuapeka to Cromwell. When we wrote a few weeks ago enlarging upon the necessity of the speedy initiation of this work, we had not thought to find the matter so soon advanced to its present stage. It speaks volumes in favour of the belief in the payableness of the line that the necessity of its speedy construction was so universally and unhesitatingly recognised by the Provincial Council. As is known, that body has recommended that the construction as far as the Teviot be proceeded with "concurrently with the progress of the contracts between Tokomairiro and Tuapeka,"—which, as these contracts are now in process of being carried out, simply means immediately. And if the Assembly can only be brought to see the necessity in the same favourable light, the railway will soon be under way, and we may reckon on seeing it not only at the Teviot but at our own doors within a very few years,—probably four or five at the most. But unfortunately, the Assembly is approached at much less advantage than the Provincial Council. It will doubtless be somewhat difficult to secure the support of a body the majority of whose members have perhaps never heard of Cromwell except as the capital of the Middle Island in that future the glory of which is at present only seen "as through a glass darkly." These members will ask for some knowledge of our resources, of our population, and so forth. And to some extent to answer these inquiries is the end designed to be accomplished by this petition. Being accompanied by the Report of the Select Committee of the Provincial Council, with its statistics and highly favourable expressions of opinion, the petition requires but to be fairly signed to carry considerable weight. Of course, the opposition of some of the Northern members who have no eye or ear for any proposition the support of which gives them no opportunity to boast before their constituents, is to be expected. But to those who are willing to look into the matter with any degree of attention, and to judge of it on its merits, the proposed extension must strongly commend itself, and with the support of such members, and that of several influential Otago men who are not only satisfied but pledged to give it,—Messrs MACANDREW, REID, REYNOLDS, BATHGATE, GILLIES, and others,—there is every reason to hope that the matter will be successfully carried through the Assembly. As we have said, the petition will be no slight aid to this end, and therefore we have to urge that those who have had the copies for signature placed with them, will use strong endeavours to get them as numerous as possible. Those members of the Town Council who have stirred themselves in the matter of framing and circulating the petition are to be thanked for their energy, but at the same time we would remind them that no time must be lost in forwarding it to Wellington for presentation.

On our seventh page, we reprint from the *Timaru Herald* a short article pointing out the absurdity and injustice of asking newspaper proprietors to furnish gratis files of their newspapers for the use of Athenæums and Public Libraries. The following letter, received by us a few days ago, is an admirable specimen of the polite blarney and consummate assurance which are brought to bear upon the unfortunate proprietors of struggling country newspapers by those philanthropic organisations known as Athenæum Committees. We draw a veil over the whence of this model epistle:—

—Athenæum, N.Z.

July 21, 1873.

Sir,—I have the honour to inform you that the Committee of the — Athenæum and Mechanics' Institute, being desirous of rendering that Institute more generally useful as a means of popular education, have instructed me to solicit your aid in accomplishing this object.

The Athenæum embodies a very good library, and a reading room which is supplied with the leading magazines and Home papers.

Colonial journals have also been given in the most liberal spirit by many proprietors of newspapers in this Colony, and it being most desirable that the people in this district should be cognisant of the progress which is being made in the other Provinces, whereby a generous emula-

tion may be excited in advancing the interests of the Colony at large, the Committee have directed me to ask you whether you would be so good as to assist them in their work of extending the usefulness of the Institute, by the contribution of your valuable and influential journal.

I need hardly add that all papers received at the Athenæum are duly filed and kept for future reference.

Requesting the favour of a reply,—I am, &c.,  
—Hon. Secretary.

The voting for election of Mayor of Cromwell took place last Wednesday, and resulted in the return of Mr Fraer (who held the office for the past municipal year) by a majority of 19. There were 105 votes recorded, 62 being for Mr Fraer and 43 for Mr Marsh. After the declaration of the poll, both gentlemen briefly addressed the ratepayers.

The first regular meeting of the new Council takes place on Thursday evening, when it is expected the Mayor will submit his financial and public works policy for the current year.

We direct attention to an advertisement which appears in another column, convening a meeting of the Cromwell Jockey Club for the transaction of important business. The meeting takes place on Thursday evening, 14th inst.

A special meeting of the Cromwell Athenæum Committee was held in the Library on Thursday evening, for the purpose of organising another popular entertainment in aid of the building fund. The members present were—Mr Preshaw, president; Messrs Jolly, MacKellar, Colclough, Matthews, and C. W. Wright. After full consideration, it was agreed to request the amateurs who performed the farce of "Turn Him Out" at the last entertainment to repeat the performance, and Mr Fraer undertook to arrange for the performance of another piece, so that the proposed entertainment should consist almost entirely of dramatic representations. It was also agreed to ask the assistance of the Cromwell Brass Band on the occasion. The date of the entertainment was not definitely fixed, but it was understood that it should take place about the 4th of next month. The nett proceeds of last entertainment were £16 2s.

Mr J. P. Armstrong, surgeon and mechanical dentist, announces by advertisement the fact of his arrival at Clyde on a professional visit. As his intention is to remain there only a fortnight, and as his other engagements do not permit him to visit Cromwell during his present tour, those desirous of consulting him should do so at once.

We have much pleasure in acknowledging the receipt, through Mr J. L. Gillies, of a map showing the various educational, university, and hospital reserves throughout the Province. We intend to keep it in the office for reference by those who may be interested in the purchase or leasing of lands in this district. A map showing the various blocks reserved or intended to be reserved for settlement on the deferred payments system, as well as for the purposes above mentioned, was, we understand, laid upon the table of the Provincial Council during the past session, and we intend, if possible, procuring a copy of it also for the purpose of reference.

We have been favoured with a contribution in verse, written in a feminine hand, and signed "Mrs Impartial." The real name of the writer is not given, and for that reason the lines cannot be inserted. No respectable newspaper will publish contributions either in prose or verse unless the editor be furnished with the real name and address of the writer. In a note appended to the verses, the authoress asks us to "correct errors," which, she fears, are numerous. We are constrained to admit that we do not feel equal to the task. We give "Mrs Impartial" full credit for possessing kindly motives, but she lacks the power of expressing her sentiments intelligibly in verse.

The annual meeting of the Carrick Range Water Supply Company, which was to have been held on the 6th or 7th instant, lapsed for the want of a quorum. We observe that the Chairman of Directors has called another meeting for Monday, the 18th, when it is to be hoped a sufficient number of shareholders will be in attendance to enable the business to be proceeded with. The post of legal manager being vacant through the resignation of Mr Smythies, a fresh appointment has to be made, and this can only be done at a properly-constituted meeting of the shareholders.

We have to acknowledge receipt of No. 1 of Messrs Gillies and Street's *Monthly Property List*, dated 1st inst. It contains much useful information relative to the value of real property throughout the Province; and there is also a money article, and a sharemarket report. As a means of augmenting the business of the publishers, the pamphlet cannot be otherwise than successful.

Throughout the Kawarau district a large number of signatures are being obtained to the Railway Petition. It is requisite to mention the fact that the occupation and place of residence of each signatory should be adhibited.

The usual monthly meeting of the Cromwell Athenæum Committee takes place this evening, at eight o'clock. It is desirable that all the members should be present, as there is business of great importance to bring before the meeting.

The Cromwell Coalpit has been purchased from Mr John Perriam by Messrs John Hayes and W. Williams, for the sum of £210. Hitherto the principal drawback to the successful working of this valuable mine has been the want of sufficient water-power to work the pumps during dry weather; the new proprietors, however, have no such difficulty to encounter; both are shareholders in the Westmoreland race, and the water at their command will, it is expected, be amply sufficient to work the pumps all the year through. We sincerely wish Messrs Hayes and Williams a larger measure of success in the venture than has been vouchsafed to their predecessors.

A third share in the Mount Pisa water-race, with a proportionate interest in a sluicing-claim on the Lowburn, changed hands the other day for the sum of £200. Mr J. Werner was the vendor, and Messrs George Partridge and Thomas Wood, the remaining shareholders, were the purchasers.

A preliminary meeting of the newly-constituted Town Council was held in the Town-hall on Friday afternoon. The Mayor (Mr M. Fraer) presided; and the Councillors present were Messrs Dawkins, Wright, Hayes, Shanly, and Pierce. The Mayor explained that his chief object in convening the meeting was that steps might be taken towards appointing a Town-clerk and Rate-collector, as Mr Smythies was only performing the duties until a successor could be obtained. He (the Mayor) would suggest that the salary of the Town-clerk be fixed at £25 per annum, and that commission be allowed at the rate of 10 per cent. on rates and rents, and 2½ per cent. on publicans' license-fees. This would make the Clerk and Collector's remuneration equivalent to about £60 a year, which he thought was quite sufficient for the work required to be performed. The collection of dog-tax within the Municipality might be advantageously performed by the police, who would do the work more efficiently than any private individual. The Inspectorship of Nuisances might also be undertaken by the police-officer deputed to collect the dog-tax. The Councillors concurred in the suggestions and a motion proposed by Cr. Wright and seconded by Cr. Shanly, that applications for the Town-clerkship be advertised for in the local paper, was agreed to. On the motion of Cr. Shanly, seconded by Cr. Hayes, it was decided to write to the Commissioner of Police in reference to the appointment of an Inspector of Nuisances. On the motion of Crs. Hayes and Pierce, the Council resolved to invite offers for cleansing the main street and keeping the town race in good order for three months. The usual vote of thanks having been accorded to the Mayor, the Council adjourned till Thursday, the 14th inst.

The nomination of candidates for the representation of Wakatipu in the House of Representatives is fixed to take place on the 16th inst., and the polling on the 19th.

The new tariff proposed by Mr Vogel in his Financial Statement is meeting with strenuous opposition on the part of importers throughout the Colony. *Ad valorem* duties are proposed to be substituted for those on the old plan of measurement; and it is calculated (by the merchants, not by Mr Vogel, who thinks the plan will make little difference) that the Customs revenue will be increased something like £100,000 a year. Strong petitions against Mr Vogel's proposals are being sent from all the commercial centres in the Colony.

Mr Beckham, the Resident Magistrate of Auckland, is something of an original, and it seems that he recently hit on a novel method of curing an habitual drunkard named Tommy the Shingler. This man is described as having been addicted to habits of intemperance, and being a constant occupant of the police cells and dock in consequence. Mr Beckham tried every punishment the law allowed without success. Very few days ever intervened between his release and re-arrest. His Worship then tried lenity, and the man who had submitted to fines and imprisonment without any impression being made on him was deeply touched, and ultimately effectually cured by this seldom beneficial resource. He for some time steadily maintained a character of respectability and sobriety, and although an old man, actually married a young wife. The result of this change of life, or his former excesses is not, however, satisfactory, for poor Tommy's brain is reported as softening, and he is now an inmate of the Lunatic Asylum.

In his election address at Queenstown, Mr Vincent Pyke said he was totally opposed to imprisonment for debt; but considered that when a man was found guilty of defrauding his creditors, he should be treated as a criminal, and set to hard labour like an ordinary felon.

We are requested to state that Mr Peebles arrived safely at Hong Kong, after a pleasant passage of nine weeks. He was about to visit Canton, and after a stay of a few weeks would proceed to India. —*Times*.

The second reading of the Deceased Wife's Sister Marriage Bill was carried in the House of Representatives, by a majority of 25 to 15.

The Dunedin Licensed Victuallers' Association have forwarded a petition to the Assembly against the Bill which proposes to disallow the appointment of Publican's License holders to the Commission of the Peace.

Mr Richardson stated in the House of Representatives, on the 30th ult., that there was only a balance of £80,000, out of the £300,000 voted for water races on Gold-fields, available, and that was taken up by applications already sent in.

The Dunedin Jockey Club, by a majority of one, have withdrawn the disqualification from Robert Reay.

Bishop Moran is reported to have received an ovation on his visit to Napier the other day.

With commendable solicitude for the morals of its staff, one of our Auckland contemporaries has recently taken to sending one of its reporters regularly to church, and being evidently proud of the fact, the result is regularly announced in Monday's issue under the heading of "Our Church Goer."

An Education Bill has been introduced by Mr Vogel. He explained its provisions to be permissive in their character. The control of education matters in each district would be regulated by a School board elected by the School Committees. Instead of four kinds of rates, there would be a uniform rate on the capital value of property, and an annual value rate on adults. Religious education was provided for, but only at the end or commencement of school; at least four hours' secular education were provided for. The choice as to religious education was to be left in the hands of parents and guardians. This permissive system would ultimately develop into a general system for the Colony. The differences of the regulations in the respective Provinces were not at present reconcilable.

#### FIRE AT CARRICKTON.

Between nine and ten o'clock on Friday night, a fire broke out at Carrickton, in a building known as the Golden Link Hotel, lately vacated by Mr Thomas Hudson, and of which our townsman, Mr C. Colclough, was proprietor. The building stood on the brow of the hill just at the entrance to Carrickton, and the flames, fanned by a strong northerly breeze, could be seen from a great distance. The place is quite seven miles distant from Cromwell, but as Mr Colclough's building was almost the only one distinctly visible from Melmore-terrace in daylight, it was conjectured by a number of our townspeople that the burning pile could be no other than the unfortunate Golden Link Hotel. The arrival of Mr Alfred Short in Cromwell an hour later set all doubts at rest, and conjecture became certainty. Every vestige of the building, save a few sheets of iron, was consumed in an incredibly short space of time. The Golden Link was about to be re-opened under the management of Mr Short, who had on the previous day been granted a license for the purpose. Fortunately, the house was empty, although the stock-in-trade and a costly billiard-table were actually in process of conveyance to Carrickton when the fire broke out. Mr Colclough's loss is a heavy one, —probably not less than £250. He had just succeeded, a few days previously, in getting rid of a very troublesome tenant, who had tried every possible means to prevent the lawful owner from regaining possession, and who is said to have openly threatened vengeance when he was at last compelled to leave the premises. The police have been actively endeavouring to find some clue to the origin of the disaster, but up to the time of our going to press their efforts had proved unavailing. There is but little room to doubt that the fire was caused by an incendiary, and we sincerely hope the miscreant, whoever he may be, will be speedily brought to justice. An official inquiry into the circumstances is to take place at Carrickton to-day.

**LAMP'S.**—This is, at the most, a temporary complaint, which generally submits to a slight scarifying of the bars of the mouth with a sharp knife or lancet. The gums are not very sensitive to such an operation, which is far preferable to the popular but wholly barbarous and hurtful practice of burning with a hot iron. Sometimes repeated scarification is necessary, and a rather more than superficial one. An ounce of powdered borax in three ounces of molasses may be smeared over the bars of the mouth, and a dose of two of salts (eight ounces each) may be administered to subdue the irritation which generally arises from disturbance caused by teething. Soft feed should be given while the mouth is swollen.

**Holloway's Pills.**—Good Spirits.—Every one has frequently experienced sudden personal changes from gaiety to gloom. The wind and weather oft receive the blame when a faulty digestion is the sole cause of the depression. Holloway's Pills can be honestly recommended for regulating a disordered stomach and thereby improving digestion. They entirely remove the sense of fullness and oppression after eating. They clear the furred tongue and act as a wholesome stimulant to the liver, and as a gentle aperient to the bowels. They healthfully rouse both body and mind. Holloway's Pills are the best known antidotes for want of appetite, nausea, flatulency, heartburn, languor, depression, and that painful apathy which is so characteristic of chronic derangement of the digestion.

#### BANNOCKBURN.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

August 11, 1873.

In a former issue of your paper, I stated that the Post-office here had been abolished, that at the time being the extent of my information on the subject. In your last number, I notice a correspondent corrects the mistake by informing your readers that the office has been abolished only in consequence of Mr Halliday having resigned his appointment as postmaster. I can merely assure your correspondent and others interested that I had not the remotest intention of in any way slighting Mr Halliday when I wrote the paragraph in question. On the contrary, I, with many other residents, feel very grateful to our late postmaster for the attention he has paid to the duties of the office while he held the appointment,—to which, I may also state, there has never been any salary attached. I hear that an endeavour is shortly to be made to get Mr Simpson, our schoolmaster here, appointed postmaster. I do not know whether that gentleman has consented to take it; if he has, I hope something like a salary may be attached to it.

The pigeon match between Messrs Reid and Cassels, which I alluded to in my last, came off on Saturday afternoon, and drew a considerable number of spectators together; indeed, there must have been nearly seventy present. Neither gentleman seemed to be in good shooting trim, and for some reason or other the birds did not rise well. The match was won by Mr Reid, the following being the number of birds killed by each, and the distances:—

	21yds	23yds	25yds
Reid ...	10	01	10
Cassels ...	10	00	00

There being three birds left, a sweepstake was got up between Messrs Reid, Cassels, and Lake; the two former only killed their birds, and therefore divided the prize.

One of the gentlemen recently appointed as collector for the Dunstan District Hospital was busy handing round his list, taking advantage of the assemblage of people. He was fairly successful, having obtained in cash and promises, something, I understand, over the sum of £12.

A number of persons met in Mr Stuart's Ferry Hotel on Saturday evening to consider the advisability of asking Mr D. MacKellar, M.P.C., to a public dinner, thus giving him an opportunity of meeting his constituents in this part of the district, and giving some information in regard to his action during the late session of Council. It was ultimately agreed to leave the matter over until Wednesday, the 13th inst., on which evening a public meeting is to be called, under the auspices of the Mining Association, to go into the matter.

Among the numerous documents for signature which have been going round lately, I notice a petition for an extension of the railway from Tuapuka to Cromwell. It is to be hoped the district will be well canvassed for this petition, and as no money is required after signing one's name, no doubt the signatures will be numerous, considering the large population between Teriot and Cardrona.

#### BANNOCKBURN AND CARRICK RANGE MINERS' ASSOCIATION.

The Committee of the above held their monthly meeting on Wednesday evening, 6th inst. The members present were—Mr J. Crombie, president; Messrs Stewart, Menzies, Smiddy, Aitchison, and Moore.

The minutes of previous meeting having been read and confirmed, and some minor business transacted, the following resolutions were submitted, and after discussion agreed to:—

Proposed by Mr Aitchison, seconded by Mr Stewart:

"That the Secretary for Gold-fields be written to requesting him to rectify the mistake that has evidently been made in appointing two officers of the Central Association to ascertain whether land applied for under the agricultural lease system be auriferous or not, instead of selecting them from the Association of the district in which the land applied for is situated; the miners in the locality of the land so applied for being in our opinion better qualified to judge as to whether land is auriferous than others living at a distance; and considerable expense would be saved by selecting local men."

Moved by Mr Menzies, seconded by Mr Smiddy:

"That the Postmaster-General be written to showing the necessity that exists for the appointment of a Postmaster at the Bannockburn, and this Association recommends the appointment of Mr John Simpson, the schoolmaster, as Postmaster, with a salary."

(Mr J. L. Moore acted as Secretary *pro tem*.)

A bullock-driver named Henry Westcott, of Tapanui, was found dead a few days ago, lying by the side of a fence about three miles from Red's Junction Hotel. It is supposed that death was caused by ill-health and exposure.

#### BENDIGO.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

August 5, 1873.

During the past few days a thaw has set in, and we may expect shortly to see work generally resumed in the district. A very uneasy feeling prevails, however, as to the future season's water supply, which, from the exceptionally thin coating of snow on the Dunstan range at present, is likely to fall far short of our requirements. Another season as adverse to the mining industry as the past two have been, and I am afraid Otago will witness a considerable exodus of its mining population. The continued breaks in labour caused by frosts and droughts, cutting down the gold digger's receipts to almost starvation point, must tell in the long-run, and if the reports continue encouraging from Port Darwin, I expect that far-off Eldorado will receive a large share of the bone and sinew of New Zealand. Men's minds are disgusted with the intermittent bestowals of Fortune's favours in following the mining avocation here, and they think, and not without some show of reason, that it will be as well to risk the chances of a tropical climate as to slowly wear out an existence in this sub-arctic one. Gloomy, but true, I believe.

I wonder what the postal authorities are thinking about: their arrangements are evidently falling into a terrible state of disorganisation. If mail contractors undertake to convey mails in a specified time, why should they not be compelled to fulfil their bonds? Repudiation seems to be the order of the day, and since the Californian mailman's laches have been condoned, the smaller fry seem to think it incumbent on them to follow suit. We are not a very important community, it may be, but really I think we have some grounds for complaint. We have occasionally three mails due from Dunedin at one time, and whether some of them ever do arrive, deponent knoweth not. I sometimes feel as foggy on the matter as the man in a small American State, when he was told they had then a tri-weekly mail, which, as the obliging official informed him, "went up one week and tried to come down the next." Quick and regular postal communication is a boon to any community, but more especially to one so sequestered from the outside world as ours; and if the Government will only look into and reform the abuse complained of, our grateful prayers will follow.

There is very little to report on the subject of mining, if I except the discovery of some very excellent stone in the Aurora mine. An underground manager of considerable experience, Mr John Williams, late of the Golden Link, having been appointed, he has instituted a careful inspection of the old workings, and has apparently discovered that the former workmen have in most instances left the quartz behind. I saw one prospect of nearly two dwts. of loose gold washed to the dish, accompanied by some very rich specimens, nearly approaching in appearance to the extraordinary rich patch found in this lode, which caused a stir about three years ago. I am in good hopes that bright days are in store for the tributaries. They have over 70 tons of stone in the paddock, and as soon as the race can be repaired will commence crushing.

Work has been resumed in the Lucknow tunnel: none of the tenders having been accepted, day labour is again instituted. The rate of progression will be understood when I state that the rock is, if possible, harder than ever.

The Cromwell Company has been brought again to a standstill from want of water and frost combined; but as rain fell last night and to-day I suppose they will again be in full swing. The stone being now carted is from the Golden Link, and is of excellent quality. The stone from the lease still looks splendid, and is calculated to crush 5 ozs. per ton. On the whole, your readers therefore may conclude that reefing this season is likely to once more look up on Bendigo. My faith in its paying and permanent character has never wavered, and it will be very gratifying to find that in the main I was correct. I hope to see the Rise and Shine Company taking steps for the development of their reef this season: after the success attending the working of the Gabriel's Gully reef, which I take to be of a similar character to theirs, there need be no hesitation in giving it a fair trial.

I may mention that this section of Mr MacKellar's constituency are loud in their praises of that gentleman's able and energetic advocacy of the wants and requirements of the district in the Provincial Council, and are pleased to discover that they were not mistaken in their man. Supervening upon the imbecility of a Hickey, Cromwellians ought now to feel, in the matter of representation, as Jonathan says, "some pumpkins."

A case of specimen stealing has occurred in the Otago mine at the Thomas. Four youths are concerned in it, and two have turned Queen's evidence.



## POLITICAL NEWS.

According to the Wellington correspondent of the *Daily Times*, it is almost impossible that the present Colonial Ministry can stand much longer. Mr Vogel's health is very bad, and he is often compelled to be absent from the House. When such is the case, the Government is absolutely helpless, and is a laughing-stock to the House. Mr McLean and Mr Richardson are all there in replying to questions in their particular departments; but the others are useless. Mr O'Rourke has to evade questions because of his ignorance; he has to use words conveying as little information as words possibly can, and he makes it quite evident that he really knows no more than he tells. Mr Reynolds exercises a wise discretion in saying as little as possible. "Mr Baughate now does most of the talking, and he is a Jonah, who would wreck any ship of state. He flounders about in the most ludicrous manner, but with the utmost good temper, while the House regards the exhibition with a wondering kind of pity often approaching disgust." Since the retirement of Mr Stafford as leader of the Opposition, Mr Fitzherbert is looked upon as most likely to fill his shoes. There will be a strong fight over the Financial Statement, when it comes to be considered in detail. Mr Vogel has enunciated some rather unpalatable proposals, which are hardly likely to meet with staunch support from even his colleagues. It is quite possible that Mr Fitzherbert will form a strong Opposition, with the view of getting greater Provincial powers, and that the Opposition will overrun the Government; in which case Mr Vogel will probably claim a dissolution, having been promised one by Sir George Arney, a promise which Sir James Fergusson will in all likelihood make good.

## CARDRONA DEEP LEAD.

The dispute between Mr T. Cotter, the agricultural leaseholder, and the parties of miners working on the above has excited a deal of interest in the minds of the Cardrona public. This has culminated in a public meeting being held to consider the subject, and to protest against the action taken by Mr Cotter. The following are the resolutions adopted at the meeting, which was held in Cardrona on the 30th July. Appended, also, is a copy of a memorial on the subject forwarded to the Government during last week, and which we have been requested, in the interests of the mining community at Cardrona, to publish:—

Proposed by Mr Robert Hodgson, and seconded by Mr Robert Studholme: "That a memorial be at once forwarded to his Honor the Superintendent and the Provincial Executive, praying for a fresh arbitration in re Cotter v. the Cardrona miners, and the immediate cancellation of at least ten acres of the agricultural leasehold of the former; the award in the first arbitration being deemed by us to be excessive, and made without a full knowledge on the part of the arbiters of the facts of the case."

Proposed by Mr Dalton, seconded by Mr Hodgson: "That a Committee be appointed to draw up the memorial referred to in the former resolution: said Committee to consist of Messrs Russell, Yeldham, Needham, McDougall, and the mover."

Proposed by Mr McDougall, seconded by Mr T. Fox: "That in case action at law is taken by Mr Cotter against any mining parties, similar to those in which the Great Extended and Banner of War were placed when prosecuted, that this meeting accord to them such sympathy, and furnish to them such monetary assistance as may be in their power to give."

Proposed by Mr McDougall, seconded by Mr Oliver: "That in the event of the cancellation of that portion of the lease before referred to, or of the cancellation of the whole of the lease, this meeting pledges itself in word and honour to render every legitimate assistance in its power towards securing to the present claimholders the claims they are now engaged at work upon."

The following is the text of the memorial:—  
"To his Honor James Macandrew, Esq., Superintendent; Horace Bistings, Esq., Goldfields Secretary, and the other members of the Executive of the Province of Otago."

"1. We, the undersigned miners, storekeepers, settlers, and other residents of the Cardrona Gold-field, beg most respectfully to call your attention to the very great amount of suffering and loss which we—more particularly the miners—have recently had to undergo, and which suffering and loss have been occasioned by the existence of a certain agricultural lease held by one Timothy Cotter, and who, by virtue of his being in possession of the said lease, has been enabled to inflict upon us much serious loss and injury, and thereby retard and prevent the development of what we—at a cost of three years' expenditure of unprofitable labour, and all our capital—have recently proved to contain a highly auriferous and payable lead of gold."

"2. We most respectfully submit, that as we are nearly altogether a mining community, and that as no other calling or occupation is open to us to engage in, we are therefore justified in asking that, as men desirous of expending our honest labour in the development of the resources of the country, and of gaining an honest and independent living for our families and ourselves, you shall remove from our midst all barriers to the accomplishment of such a desirable end as may be in your power."

"3. We further submit, that if the cancellation of the aforesaid lease is effected, that no loss whatever will accrue to the consumer, inasmuch as the land in question is and always has been almost wholly devoid of the elements which constitute fair agricultural soil."

"4. We would further submit, that we have never at any time disturbed or in any way injured the surface, or other portion of the land held by the agricultural lessee, inasmuch as that our workings are at a depth of not less than 70 feet from its surface, and which have been prosecuted by means of tunnels at that level, and the mouths of which tunnels are altogether outside the limits of the area in question."

"5. We are further constrained to ask for your immediate and effective interference in our behalf, inasmuch as there are at present upwards of forty miners directly interested in the settlement of this matter, and who if left to the mercy of the agricultural lessee, and the equally merciless machinery of the law, will simply be hopelessly ruined, and eventually driven from the country."

"6. We would further respectfully submit, that as a proof of the calamity now hanging over us, one party of miners were, no later than last week, compelled by the agricultural lessee to submit to a loss in Court of nearly £100 sterling; and, further, that at a public meeting held here last night, he declared he would continue this harassing policy until he had driven them from their claims."

"7. We venture most respectfully to express an opinion that, notwithstanding the interpretation the law may put upon them, it never was the intention of the framers of the Agricultural Lease Regulations that an agricultural lessee should be able to take up such a position as would enable him to say, 'I am, by virtue of my agricultural title, the owner of the gold and other mineral wealth within this block.'"

"8. With all due respect, we finally ask you to at once take steps towards the immediate cancellation of the lease, and thereby prevent the occurrence in future of the disasters already described."

"And your petitioners will ever pray."

## QUARTZ MINING.

A correspondent of the *Mount Ida Chronicle*, signing himself "Quartz Miner," contributes to that journal a few remarks on the above subject, more especially respecting the manner in which it is proposed to be dealt with by the new Gold Mining Bill. As he shows a thorough practical acquaintance with his subject, and makes some good suggestions, we purpose extracting a portion of his letter.

He commences: "It has frequently been remarked in your columns that the country is not ripe for mining in that phase, and that until wages are lower, and various other fortuitous circumstances have taken place, quartz mining can scarcely be expected to pay. Wonder has often too been expressed that reefing in Victoria meets with so much more support from the public than the same class of gold mining does here, and, evidently from the vast number of companies in active operation, justifying such support. To one who has had a little experience in mining in both countries the reasons are obvious. In Victoria the Government have long seen the necessity and advantage of encouraging and fostering that great industry, until it has become one of the greatest sources of wealth and prosperity in the State. Our New Zealand magnates evidently look upon it as one of the doubtful things that it behoves them to watch suspiciously, and to restrain within proper limits. Quartz mining in Otago has hitherto been conducted in the most extravagant style possible, arising, in my opinion, from a want of liberality in the Goldfields Act and Regulations, involving ten times the expenditure and outlay, both of labour and capital, the circumstances justified."

Whether the Government have been so fully occupied with the magnitude of the Public Works scheme as to be unable to afford so trivial a matter as the mining industry a thought, or whether they have failed to discover its importance and recognise its bearing on the welfare of the Province, I am not prepared to say. I see, however, that the Bill now before the Assembly makes no better provisions than did the Act of 1866. The framers of the Act have copied the Victorian Statutes to a considerable extent, and no doubt wisely, but they stopped short where they ought to have gone ahead—and it is therefore calculated to do less than half the good we have been anticipating from it."

Instancing the Lucknow mine at Bendigo as one in which a great amount of capital has been invested, in driving a level 400 yards long, at a total cost of £6000,—he asks: "What will be left of the proceeds from the utmost limits of reef the Act allows a party to hold, down to the depth said level will drain?"

"Reefing in Otago has so far been, excepting some two or three instances, merely surface work, followed by abandonment—resulting in effectually staying the employment of capital in the development of the undoubted resources of our Gold-fields. Everybody agrees that our reefs contain as much gold as should make their working remunerative, that they are numerous, and, with the exception of timber, facilities for successful development exist within the reach of ordinary effort on almost every Gold-field. The question naturally arises, where is the cure? where is the remedy to be sought? Are our reefs, which are of sufficient scope and richness, with proper working, to afford remunerative employment to thousands of men, to await the intervention of some genii, to bring their contents to the surface? or to be allowed to lie undisturbed until the country is so inundated with unemployed labour, that wages will be reduced to half their present rate? As we cannot hope for assistance from the spirit world, and as any great reduction in wages is both undesirable, and in the state of the labour market in the old country exceedingly unlikely, we must of necessity seek in some other direction for a remedy, and that remedy I believe to be a much more liberal provision as to size and cost of claims. The greatest extent the law allows to be occupied

in one lease is twelve hundred feet along the course of the reef. So that for every section of such extent, the indispensable preliminary dead works have to be increased; whereas the shaft once sunk, or the level once driven, six or ten times the amount of ground may be as easily worked through them as the present very limited area to which the law confines operations. I need not, I am sure, point out to you what a waste of energy, of labour, of capital, both to individuals and to the community is involved in this state of things—followed, as these preliminary works are, by (if the prospects are encouraging) separate costs of crushing plant, pumping and winding gear for each twelve hundred feet, and consequent large increase in current working expenditure—for each battery means four to six hands, and waste of fuel in maintaining six fires, where one of somewhat larger dimensions would do the work of the six."

A word as to charges for mining leases: What need of the excessive cost of obtaining and holding a lease? Any miner of ordinary ability could survey a lease area as well for all practical purposes as the Government surveyor; and, if his services be indispensable, why should the miner be charged with it all? Next, the rent is no less than £2 10s. per acre—a most preposterous rate. It appears to me that leases on quartz reefs should be granted at even a lower rent than on alluvial workings, for whilst the reefer only disturbs a very insignificant portion of the surface, for which this heavy rent is paid, the alluvial miner disturbs the whole, indeed destroys, the land wrought for all future uses. I think that justice would be amply met by a mere nominal rental, especially in the face of (without exception) the heavy outlay involved to simply prove the likelihood of a reef proving remunerative, before any possible return can be obtained. Another matter, and I have done, viz.: the manner in which quartz reefs are marked out. The Regulations allow of provision being made in the marking, to include the lode to a depth of say from three to six hundred feet, according to its underlay. After this depth, the reef, which may have cost thousands of pounds to prove to such a depth, may become the property of another without a shilling outlay, and the promoter cannot, according to the existing law, follow it beyond the boundary of his lease—he having no further use for his shaft or shafts—his neighbour may reap the benefit both of the work and the information gained by the reef being proved to that depth, literally without cost. Many other arguments may be advanced in support of my position but as my letter is already too long, I will conclude, hoping our legislators will recognise the necessity of effecting some greater improvements than the rough draft of the Bill proposes."

## The Submarine Boat.

(Dunedin Star.)

Some months ago we gave an account of a proposition by Messrs Villaine and Nuttall, to construct a submarine boat for searching for gold in the river-beds of the Province. The idea was entertained by several capitalists in Dunedin, a company was formed, and the boat has since been constructed at the iron works of Messrs Sparrow and Thomas, Cumberland-street. Those who expect to see a very handsome vessel, answering to preconceived notions of "a boat," will be disappointed. Externally, it is a huge iron shell, having no beauty to recommend it, but on examination it will be found well adapted to the use it is intended to be put to. It is, in fact, an iron tube of 35ft. in extreme length, and 7ft. 2in. in diameter. It is not, however, of equal size throughout, as about eight feet from the nose it is gradually tapered to what may be fairly described as a point—not a mathematical one, having no dimensions, but a material one, pretty well rounded and strongly rivetted. This nozzle or point is intended to be presented to the current, and this form is given to it to reduce the action of the water upon it to a minimum. A hawser will be carried out from the lower part of this portion of the vessel to secure her in position. Although not intended for sailing, it must not be supposed that a rudder is useless to the boat. Where a stream of water runs rapidly, a rudder is a very ready mechanical means of changing place, and, skilfully used, causes a vessel secured by the bows to travel to the right or left—or, in nautical phraseology, to port or starboard—up the river or down it. The way into and out of this iron cave is by a manhole at the top, and fitted over this is a dome 8ft. high, and 3ft. 6in. in diameter. Around this is a balcony with hand-rail and fittings. When inside, the door is shut, like Noah's Ark, from without. In a line with this dome or turret, on each side is what may be termed a paddle-wheel, inclosed in an air and water-tight cover. The wheels are 8ft. in diameter, and 2ft. wide, with 32 arms each, to which are attached curvilinear floats or paddles. These, though termed "paddle wheels," are really undershot water wheels. The upper part of them will work in air, the water being forced out by the air pumps; while the lower part will be moved by the current acting freely upon it. They constitute the machinery for working the puddling apparatus, air pumps, &c., and are expected to work up to a high pressure. They are securely fitted to the boat by strong bolts. It will be evident from the arrangements described that there is much work to be done under water; in fact, the whole of it connected with the gold-washing will be performed there. The wash-dirt will be passed through the sluicing apparatus, and the tailings carried away by the current. The air pumps will be worked by

the stream, and the boat supplied with atmospheric air; and consequently, very little attention will be needed on the part of those on the surface connected with the company. We have said nothing of the fitting-up of the interior; in fact, there is little to tell, excepting that it is so arranged that several men—say from three to five—can work comfortably without discommoding each other. There are four air pumps which can be connected or disconnected at will. The sluicing apparatus runs from end to end of the boat; in the stern, there is a reservoir of air, intended to provide a sufficient supply should the boat ever be placed in still water; and for various purposes to which it can be applied there is a crab winch on board capable of raising or sustaining a strain equal to four tons.

## LATE TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

## AUSTRALIAN.

Cases of infanticide are almost of daily occurrence in Victoria.

Father Finn has been stuck up by bush-rangers in New South Wales.

In Victoria, the hours of voting have been extended from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

A motion to give votes to the police was lost in the Victorian Assembly.

The new ministry in Adelaide intend carrying out a large scheme of immigration.

Madame Goddard (the pianist's) concerts in Sydney have been an unprecedented success.

Perfect arrangements have been made in London for inducing immigration to New South Wales.

A Port Darwin telegram states that the miners say the Northern Territory is a great reefing country.

Nine petitions have already been presented to the Judge of the newly-established Divorce Court in Sydney.

At Sandhurst, a man named Rea has been convicted of rape on two little girls, each but three years of age.

A weekly paper, called the *Defender*, has been started in Sydney, with the object of supporting the Volunteers.

The head resident doctor of the Melbourne Hospital has been compelled to resign, for being out after hours, and another of the doctors has been dismissed.

A negro named Wallace, for rape upon a respectable married woman in Victoria, has been sentenced to death. The woman was only three weeks past her confinement.

Assaults upon children continue to be so numerous that it has been proposed to appoint a mixed commission of ladies and medical men in Melbourne, to devise a remedy.

Captain Whitecombe, of the barque *Zenari*, was brutally murdered in the Adelaide roadstead by five men put on board by the police from the Gaol, preparatory to the sailing of the vessel.

An old man named Muggridge has been murdered on the Bathurst road, N.S.W. The supposed murderer, a young man who was in his employ. His remains have been found chopped up and burnt.

A very dense fog occurred in Melbourne a few days ago. The mail-steamer *Baroda* was delayed in coming up, and two tugs were sent in search of her. Business was entirely suspended in the city for two hours.

Mrs Shannon, who cut her own throat after poisoning her four illegitimate children, is recovering. Through having overdosed the children with laudanum, they all recovered except the baby. A verdict of wilful murder of her infant has been found.

Leases having been issued to the Sowell claimholders by the Government, a collision is expected with the jumpers. The solicitor for the latter has been assaulted by the miners, and it would not be surprising if bloodshed occurred.

## EUROPEAN.

Mr Gladstone is unwell. Severe storms have taken place in the country districts in England.

The Pope at a Consistory again threatened Freemasons with excommunication.

The French Assembly have passed a vote of confidence in the present Ministry.

The harvest in England is plentiful, and agricultural prospects are encouraging.

A New Zealand Land Improvement Company, with a capital of £500,000, is announced in London.

A company has been formed with a capital of £150,000, to work a gold mine in New South Wales.

The prospectus has been issued in London of the Victorian Gold Consols Company, with a capital of £160,000, to work four mines in Victoria.

The Queen is expected to visit St. Petersburg, to witness the Duke of Edinburgh's marriage with the Grand Duchess Marie, only daughter of the Czar.

The outbreak of cholera in London has created much alarm in Great Britain. The Government and local bodies are endeavouring to mitigate the pestilence.

£25,000 a year has been granted to the Duke of Edinburgh by the House of Commons, on account of his marriage, and £6000 a year to the Duchess if she becomes a widow.

Marshal McMahon, in a message to the French Assembly, answers for the preservation of order, and requests that no demonstration may mark the departure of the Germans. He says peace is of the first necessity to the nation.

Desperate fighting has taken place in Spain. Don Carlos has a force of 30,000 insurgents, who hold Northern Spain. On August 1 they were burning Seville with petroleum, and with a squadron of five gunboats and two frigates, were bombarding Almeria.

### Railway to Cromwell.

The following is a copy of the petition framed by the Cromwell Town Council, praying for the extension of the railway as above. Copies for signature are being circulated as widely as possible throughout the districts between Teviot and Cardrona. As little time as may be is to be allowed to intervene before the presentation of the petition in the Assembly.

TO THE HONOURABLE THE SPEAKER AND THE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

The Petition of the undersigned Settlers in the Mount Benger, Dunstan, and Kawarau Districts,

Humbly sheweth:

That your Petitioners have seen and heard with much pleasure that a resolution has unanimously passed the Provincial Council of Otago, affirming the desirability of extending the Tokomairiro and Tuapeka Line of Railway (the portion of the Main Interior Line at present in progress) to Roxburgh, Alexandra, Clyde, and Cromwell; and strongly recommending the Extension as far as Roxburgh concurrently with the progress of the present contracts between Tokomairiro and Tuapeka.

That your Petitioners are informed and believe that the Council came to the said Resolution upon the data contained in the annexed Report.

That your Petitioners have carefully read the said Report, and from their personal knowledge and experience can vouch for truth of most of the statements therein contained, and concur most heartily with the recommendations therein made.

That besides the facts mentioned in the said Report, your Petitioners feel convinced that if the recommendations are acted upon, the result will be to cause a very large increase of population in these Districts, both of the mining and agricultural classes, as many thousands of acres, agricultural and auriferous, would then be able to be profitably worked which now, in consequence of the high rates of provisions and the slow, uncertain, and expensive modes of communication, cannot be occupied.

That consequently there will be a great increase, both in the passenger and goods traffic, beyond that at present calculated upon; and thus the proposed Extension will not only prove of great importance in promoting the settlement of these Districts, but also will prove highly remunerative in a commercial sense.

Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray that your honourable House will take such steps to give effect to the Resolution of the Provincial Council of Otago as to your honourable House may seem fit. And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray, &c. &c.

INTERIM REPORT FROM SELECT COMMITTEE ON RAILWAY FROM TUAPEKA OR TAPANUI TO ROXBURGH, ALEXANDRA, CLYDE, AND CROMWELL.

(Brought up by Mr MacKellar, July 22, 1873.)

Your Committee has to report that it has met several times, taken evidence, and carefully considered the matter referred to it. It has now to report as follows:—Owing to the short time at its disposal, and the pressure of other Council business, it was determined only to report on the estimated tonnage and passenger traffic which goes and comes at present to and from the districts which would be immediately affected by the extension of the railway from Tuapeka to Cromwell. For the purpose of arriving at that estimate, the following gentlemen were examined: Mr G. F. Reid, Mr J. Mackerras, Mr Robert Wilson, and Mr Wm. Fraser. The information received from these gentlemen is so important that your Committee is anxious to place it at your disposal, that it may in some measure assist you in forming a correct conclusion as to the advisability of pushing forward the extension of a railway to the districts mentioned in your reference. The population of the districts, as per the Census of 1871, more or less directly interested in the extension, is 12,386, or if Tuapeka is included, 16,760.

The quantity of goods which is at present sent annually by carriers to places beyond Lawrence, the Committee estimates to be about 12,000 tons, and this is despatched at an average rate of £5 per ton. This quantity is exclusive of a large quantity which finds its way into the Wakatipu district via Lake Wakatipu, a considerable portion of which, it is understood, comes direct from Melbourne. It also excludes a quantity which reaches the Cromwell and Dunstan districts via the Lindis. The Committee estimates the quantity which reaches Dunedin from the same districts at about 3000 tons, despatched at about the same average rate of freight, the average time occupied in transit being fourteen days.

Respecting the present passenger traffic, the Committee has no materials to form an exact estimate as yet. It has the personal knowledge of all its members that besides the considerable number who come up by the

regular advertised coach lines, a large and increasing number travel on horseback and by private conveyances. The number may be averaged at thirty persons per day going, and the same number returning. The average charge to each traveller at present may be fairly set down at £3 10s. each way.

From the three sources of revenue which alone your Committee has indicated, there would be a return as follows:

12,000 tons, say at £3 per ton (present average rate, £5) ...	£36,000
3,000 tons, say at £3 per ton (present average rate, £5) ...	9,000
Estimate 30 passengers per day, each at £1 10s. (present average, £2 1s.) ...	28,080
	<u>£73,080</u>

The intermediate traffic is left entirely out of account.

In addition to the above might properly be added the present cost of carriage of mails, escort of gold, and the saving in all departmental travelling expenditure.

From inquiries made, and from the personal knowledge of several of its members, your Committee can state that excellent and inexhaustible lignite beds exist at several convenient places along the route of the proposed extension, such as Coal Creek, Teviot, Alexandra, Clyde, and Cromwell, which only require the construction of a railway to fully develop.

Your Committee is quite convinced that owing to the whole of the up-country traffic passing via Lawrence on the completion of the line to that place, a large sum of money would require to be annually spent on the road from Lawrence to Queenstown; first in forming a proper road, and afterwards in maintaining it; and further, that if such a trade existed at the present time, the road would be totally impassable for any traffic whatever.

The question whether such an expenditure would not exceed the interest on the outlay required for a railway, hardly lies within our province to discuss.

These facts force on your Committee the conviction that it would prove a great saving to the Province to construct the proposed line of railway at once.

From its inquiries and its personal knowledge, your Committee can say that the road at present from Lawrence to Cromwell is, even for male passengers, in a great measure impassable; for female passengers it is totally impracticable.

The time occupied by passengers in travelling from Cromwell to Dunedin, and vice versa, even in the summer season, cannot be estimated at less than three days.

In view of all the circumstances connected with the proposed extension of Tuapeka Railway, as brought under the notice of your Committee, by witnesses examined and the personal knowledge of several of its members, your Committee has to recommend very strongly—

- 1st. The construction of a light line of railway from Tuapeka to Cromwell.
- 2nd. Your Committee at the same time desire very strongly to recommend that its extension as far as Roxburgh be proceeded with concurrently with the progress of the present contracts on the Tokomairiro-Tuapeka line, so as to save the enormous expenditure which would be required to put the road for that distance in passable condition for traffic.

JAMES HAZLETT,  
Chairman.

Dunedin, July 22, 1873.

### The Tichborne Claimant.

The London correspondent of the *Inverness Courier* writes:—In appearance and demeanour the Claimant is better than can be gleaned from the photographs. Though there is that nameless indication about him which reveals that he has not been reared in polite society, there is nothing about him which is at first sight expressive of vulgarity. True, his immense size gives him an air of dullness and stupidity, which naturally does not belong to him, but which in a large measure, vanishes when he is moved by a conceit. One's first impressions on getting a view of his huge proportions is that of a great dumb inarticulate creature whose intelligence is imprisoned in flesh. His eyes have something of the weak bovine character, expressive of softness of character, and there is a certain rude placidity about his face. His hands are remarkably small for one of such stature, and they may be said to be the redeeming feature of his general grossness. No trace of cunning is to be discerned in his features, but, on the contrary, the prevailing lines seem to be those of simplicity and overgrown childlike. When he laughs especially, there is an unaffected boyishness in his manner that strikes one as painful when regard is had to much that has transpired during his wondrous trial. Evidently he is a living martyr to obesity. His sufferings on that account are apparently at times acute, and he is afflicted with inordinate thirst, which he strives to quench by long draughts out of the deep soda-water glasses. He smokes cigars that are nearly a foot long, which are now known as "Claimants."

### Curious Names.

(*Tray Times*.)

In the course of my experience I have met with some singular surnames, as, for instance, Godbelieve, Gotobed, Godolt, Godson, Brandywine, Portwine, Beer, and Drinkwater. Hell, Heaven, Death—a corruption of the old Norman D'Aeth—Coffin, Allbone, Smallbones, and Graves. Wellbeloved, Allgood, Toogood, Goodman, Kind, Love, Dear, Dearlove, and Dearman, Oldman, Youngman, Middleman, Blackman, Whiteman, Redman, Stiffman, Greenman, Hardman, Longman, Footman, Cheeseman, Bridgeman, Jackman, and Dollman. De Foe has been thought to have invented the name of Crusoe, but there are still Crusoes in England. In the city of Ely there is a market gardener called Applegarden, and at Basuit, near London—where Warwick, "the Last of the Barons," fought and fell—there is a nurseryman named Cuthush. In London there are two firms, respectively, Ridley and Latimer, and Eliot and Steel.

The Points of the compass are represented by East, West, North, South, Western, Southern, and Eastern. A man servant of ours once gave his name as Germany, by which designation he was generally known, but his real name was far more aristocratic—Jermyn. The pronunciation of names is very arbitrary; thus Cholmondeley is Chumleigh; Leveson-Gower is Lewson Gore; Beauchamp, Beecham; Geoghan, Gagan; St. John, Singen; Knollys, Knowles; Sandys, Sands; Wenyss, Winus; Cirencester, Cister; Cicester, Cister; Derby, Darly; Marylebone, Marrybone; Worcester, Wooster, &c. There used to be in London a dissenting minister named Pigg, and who had three deacons named Hogg, Bacon, and Hogsflesh. Hogsflesh ultimately became Hoggflesh; an aspiring Hogg in Biggleswade became first Hogg and then Archdale.

The difficulty of pronouncing the names of towns was once experienced by an Irish friend of ours, whose reverence for Charlotte Brontë led him to perform a pilgrimage to the scene of her labours. Arrived at Kighley—pronounced Keithley—in Yorkshire, he inquired for Ha-worth, but everybody said there was no such place in the neighbourhood. At last an old grey-beard, after laboriously scratching his head, said, "Don't mean Ork?" After this the way was easily found.

In Pall Mall, London, there is a respectable tradesman named Strong—the arm, who, if he be worthy of his cognomen, would be a tough customer to box with. At a meeting we once attended with John Noble, the political writer and orator, he remarked, "Now you will see some fool is sure to make a pun on my name," and sure enough a would-be wit did refer to the fact that a "Nobleman" was present. Such names as Oldboy, Littleboy, Tallboys, Littlejohn, Greathead, Redhead, Whitehead, and Greatbitch, are often a nuisance. We once knew a man named Makin Child, who certainly obeyed the Divine command to "increase and multiply." One of the most curious corruptions of names we ever met with was in Ireland, where L'Espinasse is known among the lowers orders as Spinach.

### A Word for Newspaper Proprietors.

Why is it that the public for the most part hold curious views as to the nature and value of newspaper property? Why is it that the newspaper proprietor is treated in different fashion to other business mortals? No one would dream of asking the merchant for a bag of flour as a gift, but there are many who unblushingly ask the newspaper man for a free paper. Managers of Mechanics' Institutes are the greatest sinners in this line. If a paper is worth having it is worth paying for, is a maxim we ourselves have of late religiously followed, and in carrying it out we have revised our free list heavily, dwindling it to the smallest proportions. A free paper is by no means "free" to the man whose capital produces it, but it means in the twelve months a very appreciable outlay in actual cash besides that expended on clerical labour, and when some dozens of copies are down as "dead heads" the loss entailed to a business is large. Besides this tax on good nature and pocket, the newspaper proprietor must stand the racket of another loss, a loss to which other businesses are not liable. When iron rises or sugar is high, it is the customer and not the merchant who has to pay the difference. But the newspaper proprietor cannot so regulate the market as between himself and his customers. The price of his paper is fixed, and is in a manner unalterable, and placed, as that price is, at the lowest limit possible, he stands in the unenviable position of being liable to loss, and rarely, if

ever to gain by any difference in that price which ruled at the outset; and, of course, a rise in the cost of paper or of printing material is to him a direct and substantial loss. For many months past, both paper and printing material—the former especially—have risen considerably, and we but name this fact as our reason for reducing our free list, and as a hint that we may very possibly reduce it still further.—*Timaru Herald*, July 21.

### Catching a Shark.

Dr Staines got from the carpenter some sheets of zinc, and spare copper, and some flannel; these he cut into three-inch squares, and soaked the flannel in acidulated water. He then procured a quantity of bell-wire, the greater part of which he insulated by wrapping it round with hot gutta percha. So eager was he that he did not turn in all night. In the morning he prepared what he called an electric fuse; he filled a soda-water bottle full of gunpowder, attaching some cork to make it buoyant, put in the fuse and bung, made it watertight, connected and insulated his main wires, enveloped the bottle in meat, tied a line to it, and let the bottle overboard. The captain and officers shook their heads mysteriously. The tars peeped and grinned from every rope to see a doctor catch a shark with a soda-water bottle and no hook, but somehow the doctor seemed to know what he was about, and so they hovered round and awaited the result mystified, but curious, and showing their teeth from ear to ear. The only thing I fear, said Staines, is that the moment he takes the bait he will cut the wire before I can complete the circuit and fire the fuse. Nevertheless, there was another objection to the success of the experiment. The shark had disappeared. "Well," said the captain, "at all events you have frightened him away." "No," said little Tadcaster, white as a ghost, "he is only under water, I know; waiting, waiting." "There he is!" cried one in the ratlines. There was a rush to the taffrail—great excitement. "Keep clear of me," said Staines quietly, but firmly; "it can only be done at the moment before he cuts the wire." The old shark swam slowly round and round it. "He won't take it," said one, "he suspects something." Oh yes, he will take the meat somehow, and leave the pepper. Sly old fox, he has eaten many a poor Jack, that one. The shark turned slowly on his back, and instead of grabbing at the bait, seemed to draw it by gentle suction into that capacious throat, ready to blow it out in a moment if it was not all right. The moment the bait was drawn out of sight Staines completed the circuit; the bottle exploded with a fury that surprised everybody who saw it; a ton of water flew into the air, and came down in spray; a gory carcass floated belly uppermost, visibly staining the blue water. There was a roar of amazement and applause. The carcass was towed alongside at Tadcaster's urgent request, and then the power of the explosion was seen. Confined, first by the bottle, then by the meat, then by the fish, and lastly by the water, it had exploded with tenfold power, had blown the brute's head into a million atoms, and had even torn a great furrow in its carcass, exposing three feet of the backbone. Taddy gloated on his enemy, and began to pick up again from that hour.

### Alliteration.

Sarah Smith stands sorrowfully solus; she sees splendid spruces surrounding shady spots; she sees summer's sun shining; she smells sweet savours; sweet songsters singing silvery strains serenade Sarah. Still she sighs. Sunset's soft shades settle silently, still she stands softly sighing. Suddenly she started. She saw some stranger strolling silently southward. "Stop," she shouted. "Stop, stranger. Sarah Smith says so." Samuel Slocum, successful statesman, smooth speaker, started, saw Sarah, seemed surprised, said soliloquisingly: "Strange; seemingly scarce sixteen; so simple, still so singularly suspicious. She seems strangely sad. Say something, Sarah." She, stopping silent struggles, said: "Surely some stranger seeing sights. Shall Sarah Smith shun such; scarcely." So, strolling silently strangerward, she said, "Sarah Smith scorns suspicious scandals. She seeks sympathy; seeks she successfully?" Still she saw silvery streams slanting southward. Samuel Slocum sat sweetly smiling; Sarah Smith seated suspiciously somewhere. Sunset's serene splendour suggested supper. Still she sat. She sought sympathy successfully; supper seemed superfluous. Some six Sundays succeeding she signed some sketches, Sarah Smith Slocum.



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No diseases are more frequent, few more dangerous, than affections of the respiratory organs. The first symptoms of catarrh, bronchitis, and influenza may always be radically removed by Holloway's renowned Pills. They quickly remedy any temporary stagnation of blood, relieve any over-gorged veins, moderate the hurried breathing, and enable the lungs to do their office with ease and regularity. These Pills, by their purifying powers, cleanse the blood from all impurities, and fortify the system against consumption, asthma, and similar complaints.

## Stomach, Liver, Kidneys, and Bowels.

From various causes these organs are frequently getting out of order, and require some suitable medicine to regulate them. Holloway's Pills effect this object with wonderful celerity and certainty. They do not distress the system, or weaken the frame; they thoroughly invigorate the digestive organs. They gently excite the stomach and liver, stimulate the kidneys to perform their functions efficiently, and act upon the bowels without griping or any other annoyance. Again, taken an hour before dinner, they cannot be equalled as a "Dinner Pill," as they entirely prevent acidity, flatulency, nausea, and biliousness.

## Windy or Watery Dropsy.

Whoever is afflicted with these complaints should at once have recourse to Holloway's Pills. They act most energetically on the glandular and absorbent system, purify the blood, and impart a vigour which age or other causes may have temporarily taken away. They excite the kidneys to increased activity, and thereby stimulate the absorbents to remove the fluid already collected.

## Disorders Peculiar to Women.

There is no medicine equal to Holloway's Pills for correcting the ailments incidental to females. They may be taken with safety for any irregularity of the system, as they remove all cause of maladies, and so restore, by their grand purifying properties, females of all ages to robust health.

## Influenza, Diphtheria, and Sore Throats.

How all important it is to check the first departure from health! all may do so by taking Holloway's Pills, without risk or restriction. In all diseases affecting the blood, nerves, and muscles, or in cases of fever, sore throat, colds, coughs, asthma, and shortness of breath, the earlier they are taken the better.

## Children's Complaints.

Diseases incidental to children, such as feverish attacks, scarlet fever, measles, and all diseases of the skin, may be immediately checked, and soon cured, by these purifying Pills, which may be reduced to a powder, and given in doses of one, two, or three nightly, according to the age of the sufferer. Holloway's Ointment is soothing, cooling, and healing, and is better adapted than any other remedy for all external ailments.

## Indigestion, Bile, and Sick Headaches.

No organ in the human body is so liable to disorder as the liver, and none is more apt, when neglected, to become seriously diseased. When nausea, flatulency, or acidity on the stomach, warns us that digestion is not proceeding properly, Holloway's Pills regulate every function, give strength to every organ, speedily remove all causes of indigestion, bile, and sick headaches, and effect a permanent cure.

## Lumbago, Rheumatism, and Gout.

In these diseases, the blood is always in a highly inflammatory state; the stomach is also disordered, and the liver and kidneys unnaturally torpid. A few doses of these Pills, taken in time, will rectify all these symptoms by their cooling and purifying properties.

Holloway's Pills are the best Remedy known in the world for the following diseases:—

Ague	Inflammation
Asthma	Jaundice
Bilious Complaints	Liver Complaints
Blotches on the Skin	Lumbago
Bowel Complaints	Piles
Colics	Rheumatism
Constipation of the Bowels	Retention of Urine
Consumption	Scrofula, or King's Evil
Debility	Sore Throats
Dropsy	Stone and Gravel
Dysentery	Secondary Symptoms
Erysipelas	Tic Doleureux
Female Irregularities	Tumours
Fevers of all kinds	Ulcers
Fits	Venerical Affections
Gout	Worms of all kinds
Headache	Weakness, from whatever cause
Indigestion	&c. &c. &c.

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